



Child Evangelism Fellowship of Saskatchewan

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Dear Friends,

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“That’s a Good Light for the Dark!”

The other night the kids and I were outside looking at our new pets (rabbits). It all started when Tyler asked about getting a hamster one Friday night, to which I replied, “Why would you get a hamster? You might as well get a rabbit.” Well, by Saturday morning we woke up to **“We are going to go buy a rabbit!”** By the time they were heading out the door, Sheena was going to buy 6 rabbits, one for each of the kids, (even Shea who is now at Bible school!) Now you realize the dilemma we are in and what our situation will be come spring! I spent Saturday building a bunny hutch and the kids have quite enjoyed the rabbits. The other night we were out trying to look at the bunnies in the dark, so we got a bright halogen light that lit up the backyard like daylight to which Luke (4) said, **“That’s a good light for the dark!”**

As I thought about what he said, I was reminded of Psalm 119:105 *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”* God’s Word is **“a good light for the dark”** if we read it and obey it. It seems like we no longer evaluate our **culture** in light of **God’s Word**, but rather we are evaluating **God’s Word** in light of our **culture**. The world and even many ‘Christians’ are now saying that **God’s Word** is no longer relevant in today’s **culture**. Is it any wonder that our **culture** and even many Christians are spending so much time in the dark and even many Christians as they no longer believe and obey God’s Word in its entirety? We need to get back to **God’s Word** and realize once again that **“It is a good light for the dark.”** Only then will we begin to see changes in our **culture** as people begin to desire to have hearts that are pleasing to God and obey His Word. It was only days later that this very truth was made evident in the story I am about to share.

Friends of ours from Weyburn dropped in last Friday for a visit and shared with us a story that happened at the hockey rink. Our friend was in the dressing room getting ready to go on the ice. While he was getting ready, there were also a couple of other men in the dressing room as well as a young boy about 8 years old. The two men were talking to each other using much coarse language in their conversation. All of a sudden the young boy said, **“Let no unwholesome word proceed out of your mouth!”** The two men continued their conversation as well as their coarse language to which the young boy said again, **“Let no unwholesome word proceed out of your mouth!”** The two men stopped this time realizing what the young boy had just said and totally cleaned up their conversation refraining from the coarse language they were using. Our friend could not believe what he had just witnessed and told us that this boy was from the community. Where did he learn that verse? Well it was this summer at the 5-Day Club in Weyburn. This same boy is now attending their Kids Club on Thursday. I think that this young boy would also say about the Bible, **“That’s a good light for the dark!”** I am sure those two men will be thinking long and hard about the truth that young boy shared with them from the verse he had learned last summer. It only goes to prove that **God’s Word** is relevant to our **culture** if we would only turn on the light of God’s Word so that our world could see.

This fall has been so busy with workshops for new **Club DJ**'s. It has been very exciting to hear about the many children coming; each week there are more and more children joining these clubs all over the province as they become a part of **Club DJ** in the churches in their area. Here they too will hear about God's light and learn about their need to be forgiven for their sin as they spend time hearing the stories from God's Word. My desire is that they too would see that God's Word is "**a good light for the dark**" and that they would give their hearts to Jesus and begin living their lives for Him as they use God's Word as a light for their path.

About a week ago we received a call from a lady who wanted to reach the children in her community through her church and decided to start up a **Club DJ**. She was overwhelmed as 25 children showed up the first night. She was so excited about what God was doing and phoned again last night to tell me that five more children came the next week and now parents are starting to help out as leaders. We have such an opportunity to reach the children with the gospel, and as we have witnessed over and over again, they will come if we are willing to provide an opportunity. Please pray for the leaders in these clubs as they share the gospel with these children. Also pray for more leaders to help in these clubs as more and more children come. But, most of all, pray for the children - that God would prepare their hearts for the message, that there might be a whole generation of children who will come to Jesus as the light of God's Word reveals their need to be forgiven for their sins, and that they too will be able to say "**that's a good light for the dark.**"

Over the next several weeks, we are busy with three mission conferences. As well I have been asked to speak at a church for three Sundays in November. Please pray for us as a family as we travel and that God would be glorified through these services and that many others would be encouraged in all God is doing.

We are so thankful for your continued prayers for Sharon and our family. We would appreciate your prayers for Sharon as some decisions still need to be made in regards to substituting another drug for the one that caused the clots or whether she should be taking any treatments at all. As well, they are wondering whether Sharon should have another surgery to help prevent any return of the cancer. Please pray for wisdom in what we should do. We are so thankful that even in this God's Word will be a light unto our path.

Thank you all for your faithfulness to this ministry to children. I am more convinced than ever that if we are going to see a change in our **culture**, we need to raise up a generation that believes **God's Word** is relevant to our **culture** and that seek to have hearts that desire to please Him. It is such a privilege to work in this ministry to children and we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your part in reaching this generation for Christ. Your prayers are so appreciated and we want to thank you for your financial support. I believe that God's Word is relevant to our culture and that **It is a good light for the darkness** of this world. I pray that you will continue to uphold this ministry in your prayers and support as we seek to turn on the light of God's Word to reveal the darkness of this world. May God bless you all for all you do!

For the sake of the children,

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